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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

U.S. Patent No. 8,017,142 B2 In re Patent Application of: Issued: September 13, 2011 Jan MOLLENHAUER et al. Confirmation No.: 1500 Application No.: 10/590,657 Art Unit: N/A Filed: August 25, 2006 Examiner: N/A For: USE OF DMBT1 FOR CAPTURING SULPHATE AND PHOSPHATE GROUP **EXPOSING AGENTS Refund Section** ATTENTION: Accounting Division OFFICE OF FINANCE REQUEST FOR A REFUND (IMPROPER FEES PAID - SMALL ENTITY PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED) January 3, 2012 MS 16 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: **REFUND REQUEST** I. This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account 02-2448 shown on the statement for the month of August 25, 2006 for the above-identified patent application A copy of the monthly statement in which the error referred to occurs, 冈 accompanies this request.

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II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED

Other:

Improper charge of Large Entity Issue Fee

\$1,510.00

TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED

\$755.00

III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

The large entity rate was erroneously charged during the payment of the Issue Fee. Applicants respectfully request that the small entity rate be charged and that the remaining fee of \$755.00 be refunded to the Applicant. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a), applicants hereby request a refund of 50% of the Issue Fee paid on August 5, 2011. Small entity status was established prior to payment of this fee upon initial filing of the present application on August 25, 2006.

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

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